

REMARKS

The claims have been amended as needed so as to sharpen the definition of the invention relative to the applied references.

Claim 7 has been amended to make it clear that it depends only from claim 1.

Reconsideration is accordingly respectfully requested, for the rejection of the claims as anticipated by or unpatentable over any one of MURAI et al. US 6,411,038 or EP 1 096 141, or either of the Japanese references.

All four of these references can be considered together: They all relate to measurement of combustion pressure, not the movement of the core with respect to the cylinder head of the engine on which the glow plug is installed.

Indeed, using any of the devices of the four references, it would be impossible to measure the movement in question.

By contrast, the present invention measures the movement in question, that is, performs an entirely different process, by different structure, thereby to enable the achievement of a different result, from the structure or method or achievement of any of the references.

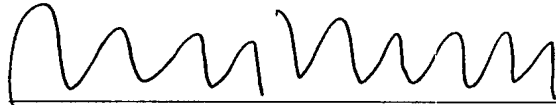
As the claims now in the case bring out these distinctions with ample particularity, it is believed that they

are all patentable, and reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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